

## News Release

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## Road Detour in River Pond State Park at Tuttle Creek Lake

MANHATTAN, KAN. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Tuttle Creek Lake announced an upcoming road detour, affecting traffic into the River Pond Area of Tuttle Creek State Park.

The west entrance to the River Pond Area will be closed Monday, Oct. 8, 2007. The park will continue to be open, but all traffic will be required to use the park's existing east entrance accessible from the east end of Tuttle Creek Dam. Detour signs directing River Pond park users from U.S. Highway 24 (Tuttle Creek Blvd) and Kansas Highway 13 (atop the dam) will be erected.

The River Pond Area of Tuttle Creek State Park is a popular recreation area located downstream of Tuttle Creek Dam. It includes the River Pond and Rocky Ford campgrounds, cabin rentals, picnic shelters, swim beach, canoe rentals, disc golf course and other recreational amenities.

This road closure is necessary as work continues on the Tuttle Creek Dam Safety Assurance Program. This project involves large construction equipment and heavy truck traffic adjoining the park. The detour is necessary to insure safe working conditions and public park use on and around the dam. The detour is expected to be in place for the duration of this project, which is estimated to be complete in the 2009 to 2010 time frame.

For more information, contact the Corps of Engineers at (785) 539-8511

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